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Valley Star Visits New York Center

[EDITORIALLY SPEAKING
On behalf of Stop the Flow of Drugs, Inc. of Saginaw, I'd like to talk a little bit about some of the things that are taking place and knowing that Saginaw should be grateful to an organization of this caliber.

Today we had the privilege of visiting a one-of-a-kind experiment in drug rehabilitation. This program deals primarily with mothers and expectant mothers who are addicts and are willing to be away from their homes and hopefully kick their habits. There is no way to describe what we saw there; the one thing we can say is that somebody really cares and that somebody somewhere has had an idea that is headed in the right direction.

I saw the children here, playing, experimenting with toys, which is something they never have had a chance to do before.

One of the strange things that happened here was when I took my camera out of the case to start taking pictures, one little boy began to cry; he was frightened, because the only time he ever saw anybody take anything out of case, it was a weapon of some kind or something that was harmful. The boy began to cry and stomp and they couldn't quiet him down; it was a sad thing to see.

One of the other things I think I should mention is that the island here is located right in the middle of the East River, one of the rivers that flow around Manhattan, here in New York City. At one time there were something like 1500 babies born each year to addicted mothers and the children themselves were addicted at birth. This is one of the primary reasons that these mothers are here on the island in the de-toxification program, so that by the time their babies are born, all traces of drugs will be eliminated from their bodies and their babies will have a chance to be born healthy and drug-free.

It's a sad thought to even have pass through your mind that a baby can be addicted at birth because of the drug abuse of people who are not really aware of what danger exists. But Oddysey House has reached out into the debths of addiction and put together a program that is unprecedented in our country today. And it is second to none in effort and emphasis on the complete elimination of drugs from our homes and communities. And we want to express our whole hearted gratitude and congratulations to them for their courage and ambition to be community-oriented towards the betterment of mankind. We here in Saginaw should be grateful to them because they have opened their doors, their ears, and their hearts, and they have given us the opportunity to capture some of the beautiful ideas and talent that they are using to fight this vicious monster that attacks our country today. We especially thank Mr. Frank Lemon for his fine leadership in this field; he has been very, very helpful to us.

drug treatment programs have had to be established to snatch the desperate back from the edge of total disaster? How many Oddysey Houses have been made necessary by the endless greed of men who absolutely do not care how many of their brothers must die to provide their custom-tailored suits and big, shiny cars? How much of the need for these programs can we eliminate in our lifetime?]

On Ward's Island, in the East River in New York City, is a unique new drug treatment facility. One of the staff members explained the program and its purpose to *Valley Star editor, Jim Colvin,* on his recent visit.

"This is our parents program, where we treat addicted females who come into the program. Either they are pregnant or already have small children. When they come to the program, we treat them and their unborn baby or the one they presently have as one unit and this is the only program of its kind, we believe in the country, where a person that has a problem with drug abuse can go and take the children with them."

The staff has found that not everyone can cope with the demands of the program: "The way the treatment is designed in the average drug-free program sometimes is a

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Star of the Week

HOW IS THIS FOR A 105 POUND 5'5" STAR OF THE WEEK?

Miss Debra Lynn Steward, a student of Saginaw High School, she also attends the career opportunities center, for data processing, she is also a member of the Saginaw High Pep Club. Her hobbies are sewing, bowling and dancing. She wants to become an airline stewardess.

Men, could you see this at sixteen, imagine what she'll look like at eighteen. (WOW)!

Girls who wish to be star of the week contact Mrs. G. Collier through Valley Star, 609 Lapeer, phone 754-7417.

Visit to Ward's Island

As we left Ward's Island and looked back over our shoulder to see the soft waves in the water of the East River and felt the chill in the wind across the water and watched the drill of the gulls as they seem to float motionless above the bare, black branches of the trees along the river's edge, we wondered how many Ward's Islands are there across our nation? How many

VALLEY STAR Mr. Washington talks with expectant mother at Ward Island.

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little strenuous, and the average adult feels rather than challenge themselves or expose themselves to the treatment that is available, they may want to return to the streets, though not necessarily to drug addiction. But the average adult doesn't want to have to relearn the things they learned as children."

He explained that the concept was unique, "because we don't separate the parent and the child, we treat them as one single unit. In the other places I am sure there are addicts that have children, but they have to leave their children somewhere else, and they are treated as an individual."

He also talked about the functions of the nursery: 'The nursery is one particular room where the children are gathered and play or whatever. It gives the mother a chance to work in the kitchen or in the business office, or be on the desk or be in groups. We have a professional that is in charge of the nursery during the day and she is assisted by one of the residents.

But because of concern for the child, we feel that if a mother was on drugs, medically it would be safer to de-tox her than to just ask her to stop using as we would do anybody else."

"To de-tox means to use a substitute drug, usually methadone. What they do is find out, if possible, what your intake of drugs was and give you a comparable amount of methadone; and they give a lesser dosage each day, decreasing until you're down to the level where you can handle the withdrawal."

We asked him how well these young mothers get along with one another. He answered, "That's part of the method and the concept of dynamics that we use, that you have to learn how to get along. It's not so much that you have rationalize or what we call stuff your own feelings in order to get along, but you have to learn how to resolve your differences, so that you can have a difference and afterward you can go on and have a good relationship. I would say that they have the regular amount of agreements and disagreements, but we teach them how to resolve the disagreements they might have."

"Also, peer pressure is one of the backbones of the program; that's what we call bridging the gap, because you know the communication gap is supposed to exist between parent and child, not between any two groups on different levels. And we feel that the most meaningful help you get is from someone on your own level, whether it be age, cultural, racial, or whatever. When you may not want to accept help from one person, usually when it comes from somebody on your own peer line, it's a little bit easier to listen to. So peer pressure is pretty important at Oddysey House."

We asked how a resident-patient, such as himself, can progress toward joining the paid staff:

"You can't be on the paid staff until you graduate the program. But when you reach the re-entry level, which is level four, you do have certain privileges, like you have a lot more free time than before; and you get what we call WAM, or walking-around money, which is about $30 twice a month, just pocket money to help you re-enter, for carfare, to go to the movies, and so on. And this can always be augmented, by parents for instance. But you can't be a paid staff member until after you've graduated the program."

We interviewed one young mother, who told us she was 22 years old and had joined the program three months before, with her husband and young son. She and her husband had been using heroine, but she explained, "I didn't have no habit when I came here. The reason why I came here is because my husband and I were in a little trouble and we were messing around with drugs. So to keep him from going to jail, a drug program would be better for us than going to jail and plus we have a family, so my husband, my son and I came into it like as a family, into a family program."

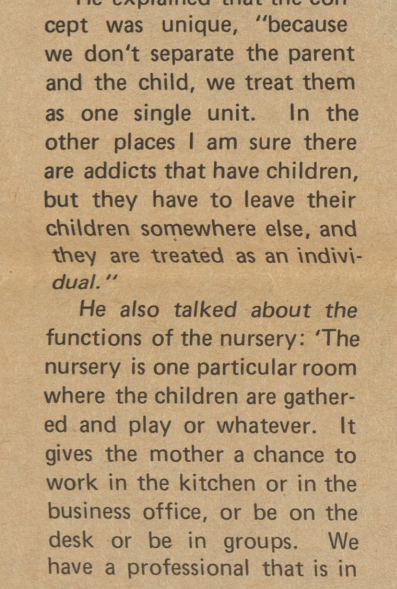
Her advice for people who didn't use drugs was: "Don't try it, because you'll definitely want more."

When we learned that one of the residents was a native of Saginaw, we looked him up and talked with him. His name is Dan Williams, he is 40 years old and he has been in New York less than a year, undergoing treatment.

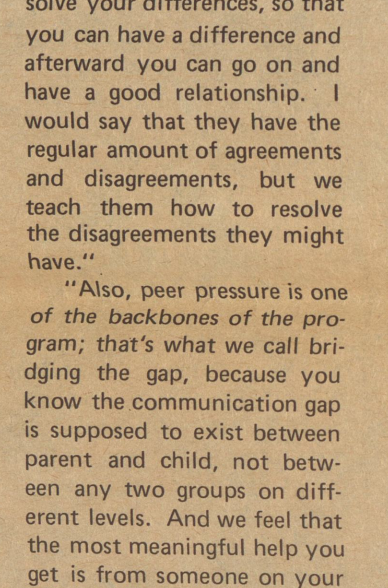
"I came to New York in August and stayed at the mother house on Sixth Street until November, when I moved out to the parent's program out here. They felt that due to my age I could add much input to the residents out here at the facility. At first I was a little hesitant about coming out here, but since I've got here and got associated with the kids and the residents, I find it very pleasant."

"At one time I was an addict, I used drugs for pretty close to 22 years, and this was mainly my life; even though I was working, I was using most of my money on drugs. But after this past year, I've had not only second thoughts but four or five thoughts. And that's when I decided to come into the program, because I was getting older, my children was growing up to the extent where things were getting back to them and different things would be said that would hurt them and I was thinking of their welfare and trying to help myself also and rid myself of the drug problem."

We asked if he would like to send a message home to Saginaw. His answer: "I want to say Hello to everyone that I know in Saginaw and tell them to get involved in the fight against drug addiction within the city and urge all their relatives and friends to get involved in the fight to curb drug addiction in the city of Saginaw. And to the young people, stay in school, stay away from drugs and go on and further your education and learn to be a upstanding and righteous citizen."



MOTHER TALKS WITH Valley Star reporter.



THIS LOVELY LADY was our guide as we toured Ward Island.

MRS. LARMAR of Stop the Flow of Drugs kisses Danne Williams and wishes him a speedy recovery.

The answers to these questions are not going to drop out of the sky. And they will not come from Congress or the White House. They will only come from the people that we are trying to reach through this series of articles, the people who can eliminate the need for Ward's Island, for Oddysey House, for Project RETURN, for Stop the Flow of Drugs. When there is no longer any reason for these programs to operate, that will be the harvest of our labor.

Heading west back into the famous landscape of wealthy mid-Manhattan, toward the lower west side, we finally arrived at 327 W. 43rd St., home of residential section four of Project RETURN. Tonight, as we sat and talked to Carlos Pagan and Luis Concepcion and the Project's physician, there was a very unusual atmosphere over the place. The trainees seem different.

I talked to one young man whose hands were swollen beyond his own recognition. He was 39 years old and has been on drugs for 20 years. His hands were filled with scars ten to fourteen inches long. He spoke about the times when he crashed windows, when fought with policemen, when he robbed and stole to feed the hunger of drugs. And I asked this man, what were some of the painful experiences he had from inside of himself. He spoke of his mother and father, who he could no longer look straight in the eye with his head up. He spoke of the hurt of knowing that he had been rejected; of knowing that he could no longer sit and talk with his parents, as father to son or mother to child. The rejection, the loneliness, the wanting to be loved and cared for, but not being able to walk away from the clutches of drugs. But he's here at Project RETURN now and he's determined to go forward. And one of the most important things that he said was that there is a beautiful life outside of drugs, only if one seeks it.

As we climb stairs and descend stairs from one floor to another, we listen to the warm-hearted chatter of 'How do you do?" and "Where are you from?" and "We're glad you came." and "Why did you select our house to visit?' the answer was easy; it was because they were beautiful people, all one family, all striving for one thing, to break away from drugs.

As we talked with the residents of Project RETURN, one of the most rewarding experiences of my life happened to me. We were entertained by individuals and groups who put on a magnificent program of music and singing, not only in a professional manner, but with the deep emotion that is only found among those who have suffered together.

As we sat back and clapped our hands to the music, I could not help feeling the spine-tingling desire to really be a part of that brotherhood, to be one with them in the effort to kick out the evil that had clutched at their bodies and minds for so long, to be united with them in the long march back to life and the bright hope of bringing back others with them; together in every facet of their lives. It seemed to me then that it would be the most

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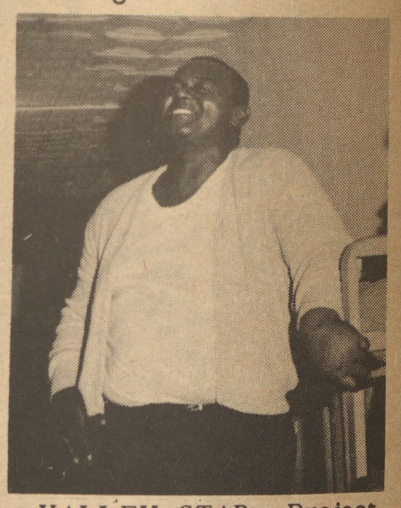

VALLEY STAR Project Return - notice the swelling of the arm.

VALLEY STAR Mr. Frank Lemen Staff member.

Ebony Ball Queen Marilyn Pruitt

BY: Charlene Colvin

The Ebony Ball, presented by the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa (Gamma Kappa Chapter), played to a packed house on Saturday evening, January 13, in the Bancroft's Crystal Ballroom. The Ball is presented each year, as a fund-raising effort as well as being the setting for the coronation of the Ebony Queen.

This year the judges selected as the new Ebony Queen, from five lovely and talented contestants, Miss Marilyn Pruitt, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Luteterry Pruitt, 554 S. 17th St., and as first runner-up, Miss Vonna Terry. The five young ladies, including also Miss Anita Williams, Miss Deborah Lawrence, and Miss Agnes Yatta Barclay, competed in street clothes, hot pants and evening gowns, as well as demonstrating their various talents, such as modeling singing, and interpretive reading and also answering selected questions on social problems.

The program of entertainment which was interspersed between these competition events was neatly described by Basileus Mrs. Jewel Hall, when she said at the end of the program, "We have been royally entertained by our own." The highlights of the program were presented by groups sponsored by the sorority itself, the Xinos and the Drill Team.

Seven members of the Xinos, in simple, colorful costumes, performed a modern dance to the music of 'Shaft'.

The Drill Team, which participated in the actual coronation ceremony, giving it a truly regal flavor, turned in a most unusual performance. These twenty-three young men, ages 12 to 15, executed various formations and maneuvers in a way that was both military and merrily rhythmical, with their red berets perched above naturals of every length and style. The audience loved it and they loved it even more when the littlest member of the team turned right when he should have turned left. The Drill Team provides for these boys something every youngster needs, the chance to feel he is in harmony with something larger than himself, and the opportunity to hear applause and know he has done well.

The competitive events were highlighted by the evening gown event, which was a carefully choeographed dance sequence, done to the music of 'Somewhere, My Love', and including the contestants and their escorts. As each contestant was introduced, mistress of ceremonies Angeline Vernon described what woman each girl admired most and why.

Mrs. Vernon, dressed in her favorite Afro attire, was her usual unruffled self, with a quiet air of gentility that overcame those minor delays and difficulties that all master of ceremonies must handle.

Following the evening gown competition, each girl was asked to answer a question about her opinion of some social issue. The question asked of Miss Marilyn Pruitt, later crowned queen, was: "Are black parents sufficiently involved in their children's school activities?"

Miss Pruitt answered from her own experience, "My parents are and I appreciate that."

Miss Vonna Tery, first runner-up, answered the question, "What suggestion would you give to your school about improving race relations?" She answered that it was essential that the black people within the school system begin working together and communicating better with one another, instead of arguing among themselves.

In the coronation ceremony, the royal robe and crown were transferred from the former queen to the new one and each contestant recieved a trophy in recognition of her beauty and talent.

In her closing remarks, Mrs. Jewel Hall expressed the thanks of the sorority to all who helped with the program, in particular Mr. King, who was in charge of the Drill Team and Miss Zipporah Thompson, who directed the entire program including the choreography of the dance sequences.

The Ebony Ball was not only a successful fund-raiser this year, but also provided a marvelous evening of entertainment and credit goes to *all of the sorority members,* as well as the junior clubs, the Xinos and the Crickets, who worked so hard to present it again this year.

The fine program, along with the excellent community work that Saginaw has come to expect of Phi Delta Kappa, made this year's Ebony Ball more than worth the price of admission.

THE FIVE LOVELY contestants of the Ebony Ball.

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terrible wrong, if these people did not achieve their goal of living without drugs and of helping to rescue as many of their brothers as they possibly could. For with all their minds, their strength and their souls, they have taken the step forward, the step that will lead them to a better tomorrow.

Anyone who was in that room and who shared that emotion of victory over suffering that seemed to be the essence of life, could not come away without being committed to join in the battle. Let us march into that battle too, in the spirit of harmony, of good faith and of love for our tortured brothers and sisters.

The Valley Star's thanks and congratulations go to Mrs. Veola Washington and the staff of Stop the Flow of Drugs, Inc. for their great leap forward, their venture into the fight against one of the world's greatest problems. For our children's sake they must win and with your help, they will win.

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Chairman of GM Plant City Com.

Ellis M. Ivey, Jr., has been appointed chairman of the General Motors Saginaw Plant City Committee for 1973, it was announced today by GM executive vice president Oscar A. Lundin.

Ivey, who is general manager of Saginaw Steering Gear Division, succeeds Harry S. Pritchard, manager of Chevrolet-Saginaw Manufacturing plant. Pritchard will continue as a Committee member.

GM's Plant City Committee is responsible for coordinating the corporation's community relations activities in the Saginaw area and maintaining the position of GM as a good, responsible corporate citizen. There are 59 such committees in the United States and Canada working in cities where GM has manufacturing operations.

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Ivey began his GM career with Saginaw Steering Gear 32 years ago and has been general manager of the division since March, 1970.

His many community affiliations include membership in the Greater Saginaw Chamber of Commerce, Saginaw Manufacturers Association, Saginaw Country Club and Society of Automotive Engineers. He serves as president of the Lake Huron Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, vice president of the Michigan United Fund, Saginaw County chairman, U.S. Treasury Department Savings Bond devision, director of the United Way of Saginaw County, vice president of the Saginaw Club, member of the Board of Regents, General Motors Institute and a Trustee of Saginaw General Hospital.

In addition to Ivey and Pritchard, other Committee members are: Elmer E. Braun, general manager, Central Foundry Division, William F. Charrey, plant manager, Chevrolet-Saginaw Grey Iron Casting Plant, George E. Freer, regional manager, General Motors Public Relations, John R. Ikner, regional plant manager, Chevrolet Motor Division, Thomas J. Trezek, plant manager, Saginaw Malleable Iron Plant, Grant B. VanBuskirk, plant manager, Chevrolet-Saginaw Nodular Iron Casting Plant, James A. Whitacre, plant manager, Chevrolet-Saginaw Parts Plant.

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Orders will be taken in February with delivery in late March.

The cookie sale helps Girl Scouting through camping, which means troop, day or established camping. It also furthers Girl Scouting either directly or indirectly in any one of many fields of the program service, citizenship, fellowship, health and safety.

The cookie boxes this year are extraordinary - be sure to look at the back of these boxes - you will want to cut the figures out and keep them for a chuckle every day.

When a Girl Scout knocks on your door be sure to order many packages - it's a $1 bargain.

The District Cookie Chairman is Mrs. Richard Pulaski, of Saginaw. The Neighborhood Cookie Chairman of Saginaw and Neighboring communities, recently attended the Council's Cookie Kick-off Luncheon which was hosted by the Burry Biscuit Company in Midland at the Holiday Inn. Mrs. Stewart Bohn of Bay City is the Council's Cookie Chairman.

Blacks

BY: Gwendolyn L. Collier

You talk about when the revolution comes, we'll be the fewer ones, why, because the blacks are killing each other in the dark of night, while the whites sit back knowing they're enemies will be few. They're not killing us, they're leaving it up to you. You're doing a damn good job of destroying us too. You fight, you beat, you kill. Is all your black talk for real? What about unity and dignity, black power and such, these are just words that don't seem to mean much. The words you looking for is high tempered, visious and depraved and this is what's sending blacks to an early grave. I'm all for black, but I'm fed up too, for every good word said for the black, there are ten bad ones, and more than likely they're true. So if you're still thinking about a revolution, I think you better come up with a better solution. The fewer blacks that can stand up and fight, make it just that much better for the white.

United Negro College Fund, Inc.

Final results of the 1972 United Negro College Fund Campaign in Saginaw County were announced today by John R. Ikner, county campaign co-chairman. They were impressive.

Contributions totalled $6, 621 - 10 percent more than the county's goal of $6,000, and 33 percent more than the $4,968 raised in 1971.

Ikner thanked the 164 county organizations and individuals who contributed, and complimented all who assisted with the campaign for "helping provide the additional financial help needed by the 40 private black colleges who are members of the Fund and the 47,000 students they enroll." The 1972 national U.N.C.F. campaign goal was $12,500,000, up from $10, 000,000 the year before.

Ikner pointed out that Saginaw County's contributions to this annual appeal have increased steadily in recent years, from $1,819 in 1969 to $2,800 in 1970, $4, 968 in 1971 and $6,621 in 1972. "In addition," he said, "the campaign is receiving support from persons of all races and creeds. I feel we can be proud of this county's response."

The county campaign began here November 10,1972, with letter appeals being mailed throughout Saginaw County. In addition, personal appeals were made by a 19-member campaign committee led by Ikner, Chevrolet regional plant manager, and Elmer E. Braun, Central Foundry Division general manager.

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"The Games People Play"

BY: Preston D. Wiley

During this month of January, 1973 we are reminded that if Dr. Martin Luther King had lived he would have been 43 years old now. It seems appropriate to reflect upon what has happened to the civil rights movement and progressive committed community leadership that cares about people. To my way of thinking something happened to the 'movement' shortly after King's murder and minority groups throughout America should take a serious look where we are going and the quality of leadership that we are getting. While the Watts Era was with us long before Dr. King told his final audience that 'I've been to the mountain top.' The ghetto unrest - sporadic outbreaks of violence that even Dr. King couldn't stop - became a staple of the evening news.

At the same time, people who had fought for decades for 'integration' was being with a new black separatist ideology. There were new slogans, new faces, new goals, sincerely demanding people power, community control, and 'do your own thing'. While Dr. King's future was debatable, a confused people were not ready for his demise.

So, after that historic funeral, every minority community in the country was presented a wide assortment of new messiahs. And unfortunately too many blacks were indeed looking for a new messiah to take the place of the one that they had leaned on for too long. As most readers of the Model Cities News know, the messiahs came from everywhere and from nowhere. It was so easy for any bright and observing candidate with the gift of rap. Just be cool and did the mood of the frustrated masses. Watch their slogans, their new dress, hair styles, the revolutionary language of the young. And of course there is one thing that a bright messiah could depend on that should never be forgotten: never raise any serious questions that were critical, about a brother messiah.

So, the wheeling and dealing goes on. The messiah game that people play and there will be more disappointments until understand and know that we get the quality of leadership that we deserve. When it comes to the vote, citizen power or an effective Saginaw Model Cities effort - if YOU don't do it, it won't get done.

ATTENTION!

Area 1 and 2 are having a combine area meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the candidates representing areas 1 and 2.

The meeting will be held at Daniels Heights Community Center at 1802 Sanford at 6:30 p.m. January 31, 1973.

Model Cities Policy Board Election

On February 13, 1973, the Saginaw Model Cities Program will conduct the Model City Policy Board elections. The Model Cities Policy Board is that vehicle by which residents of the Model Neighborhood area can have direct input into the decision-making process which governs programs and projects which effect their everyday lives. As an integral part of any effective or successful Model Cities Program, a strong viable mechanism for direct citizen involvement is imperative. Those individuals who have a sincere interest in wanting to move residents of the Model Neighborhood area into more viable positions in the mainstream of American Society are encouraged to seriously consider participating on the Model Cities Policy Board.

The Policy Board is comprised of 36 seats, 18 of which are Model Neighborhood Resident election positions, (3 from each sub-area). There are 3 basic eligible requirements for those who wish to run, which are as follows: (1) Must be a Model Neighborhood resident (resident of respective sub area); (2) Must be at least 18 years of age; (3) Must circulate a nominating petition and obtain signatures from 15 residents of sub area from which you are running.

For further details concerning the Model Cities Policy Board Election, please call Model Cities Citizen Participation Offices at 754-1463.

Mass Meeting

There will be a mass meeting for areas 3 and 4 at the Houghton Community Resource Center, 1604 Johnson, on Thursday, February 1, 19 73 at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of this gathering is to hear the candidates express themselves as to why they can best represent you on the Model Cities Policy Board. If there are any questions please contact the Model Cities offices, Citizen Participation Division at 754-1463 Extension 63.

73 key to the Future

Appoint New Traffic Engineer

Gerald H. Blair, 30, Assistant City Traffic Engineer and Federal Projects Engineer has been appointed by City Manager Edward H. Potthoff, Jr. as City Traffic Engineer. Mr. Blair's appointment, effective January 27, 1973, has been made to fill the vacancy created by the resignation on January 26th of City Traffic Engineer Jere Meredith who has accepted a similar position with the City of Flint.

In commenting on the appointment, Mr. Potthoff said, "We feel very fortunate in being able to fill this position with a young man from our own ranks who not only has the required academic background, but the practical on-the-job experience and guidance under Mr. Meredith."

Mr. Blair is a native of Hillsdale, Michigan. He received his bachelor of arts degree from Albion College in 1964, his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of Michigan in 1966 and his master's degree in civil engineering from Wayne State University in 1972. His major field of study at Wayne State, completed during his employment with the City, was in traffic engineering planning. He is also a member of the National Institute of Traffic Engineers.

Before coming to the City of Saginaw, Mr. Blair served

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MODEL CITIES ELECTION TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 13, 1973

Saginaw Community Clinic Position Vacancies

Position Vacancies

The following positions are open at Saginaw Community Clinic:

1 Physician - part-time $25 per hour

1 R.N. - part-time $4.50 per hour

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Starting time: Immediately.

Hours of work: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. - Tuesday & Thursday.

These positions are funded through March 31, 1973. A proposal has been submitted for continuation of these positions after this date. More information will be furnished upon formal interview.

Positions open: Full time.

2 - Family Outreach Workers $5,460 per year. (See attached job description.)

Application Procedure:

Apply immediately to the Opportunities Industrialization Center, Centralized Manpower System, 1000 Tuscola Street, Saginaw, Michigan. Phone: 752-4158.

Closing Date:

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Community Involvement Aide Model City

THE POSITION:

This is a non-supervisory position performed under the general direction of the Model City Community Developer.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Works with individuals and organizations in the Model City community.
2. Assists in the maintenance and implementation of a citizen training program.
3. Participates in gathering various types of information or data relative to Model Cities concern.
4. Performs other related tasks, as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Graduation from high school or equivalent training.
2. Experience in community activities.
3. Interest in serving the community.

EXAMINATION:

1. Interview and a review of background.

SALARY:

$5,829 Annually - ($2.80 per hour)

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

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Family Outreach Worker Saginaw Community Clinic

THE POSITION:

Position performed under direction of the Family Health Outreach Worker Coordinator and/or Chief Staff Physician of the Clinic.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Serve as a contact person in the Model Cities Area; participate in orientation sessions to sensitize health aides and other personnel to the unique needs of Model Cities Residents, assist the Clinic Director in the on-the-job training of staff.
2. Fill in for other health aides when they are absent due to illness or other reasons.
3. Make regular field visits to homes of Model Cities Residents to determine their health needs and, in consultation with the Family Health Worker Coordinator make appropriate referrals.
4. Work closely with local health department to assure that Model Cities Residents are aware of and utilize public services such as immunization clinics and family planning services.
5. Work closely with the Clinic staff to assure that all Clinic recommended follow-up procedures are completed.
6. Work closely with the following agencies in a patient advocate role to assure that Model Cities Residents receive services other than health services for which they are eligible:

a. Saginaw Model Cities Involvement Corp.

b. County Departments of Social Services.

c. Michigan Employment Security Offices.

d. Boards of Education.

e. Latin American Affairs Dept.,

f. Local OEO Community Action Programs.

7. Submit Monthly Reports.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Must be a Model Neighborhood Resident. A Model Neighborhood residency of at least five years is highly desireable.
2. No education requirement, but must have ability in written communication.
3. Must have had extensive experience in outreach activities designed to serve the unique needs of Model Cities Residents.
4. Must have a working knowledge of other service agencies and how to make proper referrals which will assure completion of service.

PERSONAL QUALITIES:

1. Friendly and eager to meet people.
2. Demonstrate empathy for people served Model Cities Neighborhood.
3. Neat personal appearance.
4. Must demonstrate independent judgment in field situations.

AMOUNT OF TRAVEL AND OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. Extensive travel required within Model Cities Neighborhood (70% and 30% outside Models Cities Neighborhood) at 10¢ per mile reimbursement.
2. Must be licensed driver with car and proof of personal liability and property damage insurance.

SALARY RANGE:

$5,460 per year

HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Eight hours per day, 40 hours weekly arranged on a flexible schedule to meet the needs of Model Cities Residents as arranged by the Family Health Outreach Coordinator and/or the Executive Director of the Clinic.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Apply at the Opportunities Industrialization Center of Metropolitan Saginaw, 1000 Tuscola Street, Saginaw, Michigan. Phone: 752-4158.

CLOSING DATE:

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Attention Model Cities Residents

There will be an Area Representatives Election February 13, 1973 of the Model Cities Policy Board. The functions of the Policy Board are:

a. To provide widespread citizen input in the planning, evaluation and implementation of the Saginaw Model Cities Programs.

b. To decide on matters of priority and policy relating to the Model Cities Program.

c. To act upon proposals and contracts for the Model Cities Program on behalf of the Model Neighborhood Residents.

d. To insure that Model Neighborhood Residents and the entire community are aware of all aspects of the Model Cities Program.

e. To promote a better understanding and closer relationship between Model Neighborhood Residents and the larger community.

Meet the persons that would like to represent Sub-Area Four and Sub-Area Five at a mass meeting to be held February 6, 1973 at 7 p.m. at O.I.C., 1000 Tuscola Street.

GET UP-GET INVOLVED IN WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

For further information call: Mr. William Bigby at the Multi-Purpose Center - 754-1463, Extension 64.

Paraprofessional Youth Protective Service

THE POSITION:

The primary function is to complement the social caseworker by performing tasks and services essential to the service delivery process and the agency goals. The technology of a professional is not required. Specific areas of concern are the improvement of the client-family's child care and home management knowledge and skills. Work is performed under supervision of the director or such person designated by the director.

WORKING PROCEDURE:

1. Acts as a helping agent primarily in the areas of homemaking and child care and deals with such social problems as are within his competence and defers such decisions and actions which lie beyond his range of competence to a social caseworker and/or source of supervision; works closely with caseworkers by sharing experiences, impressions regarding client-family.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Using his skills in homemaking to induce or motivate the client-family to maintain and enrich family life by developing acceptable household and child care standards; demonstrates to client-family techniques for housekeeping; how to organize work tasks in order to diminish drudgery of housework; how to assign certain tasks to various members of the family in order to develop a sense of responsibility and pride in the home; and how to plan the use of time for work, play, study, and/or personal hygiene.

Using interpersonal skills to monitor the needs and social problems of client-families; to observe interpersonal relationships and behavior in client-families and to report these impressions to the social caseworker: to close the "communication gap" between the caseworker and the client-families by reviewing those pertinent aspects of the service plan which fall within his field of competence; to be assured that the client-families understand the content of the service plan.

Using his knowledge of the resources within the community by playing the role of an intermediary should there be a need on behalf of shy, timid client-families: offers to secure material resources should the need exist, but never makes definite promises unless he is certain the items or services can be delivered.

Acts as specialist and/or team member of matters involving interpretation of client-families problem situation and makes appropriate suggestions relative to problem solving process.

SALARY:

Starting salary $6,900.

Note: The above statement reflects the general details considered necessary to describe the principal functions of the identified job, and shall not be construed as a detailed description of all the work requirements that may be inherent in the job.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Apply at the Opportunities Industrialization Center of Metropolitan Saginaw, 1000 Tuscola Street, Saginaw, Michigan 48607. Phone: 752-4158.

CLOSING DATE:

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People Speak

Senior Citizen Speaks on Problem in Her Area

MRS. FRANCES PUGH

The Senior Citizens' Council that used to get things done at Daniels Heights seems to have disappeared for lack of interest, but one senior citizen, 63-year-old Mrs. Frances Pugh, 1811 Norman St., is hoping to change that if she can. She is presently a candidate for the Model Cities Policy Board, with the *specific goal of organizing senior citizens again in Daniels Heights.*

Mrs. Pugh began hearing that Daniels Heights' senior citizens were being ignored by city snow removal crews, even though the project is city property and city snow removal equipment is kept in garages right within the project itself. And when she saw for herself that this was the case, she made up her mind something was going to be done.

She explained the problem: "When we have a snow, they don't move the snow and a lot of the senior citizens are ill and can't move the snow themselves." Using herself as an example, she said, "I have to get out there and do the best I can. My husband has heart trouble and he's not supposed to get out there and shovel snow but he'll get out there and try to move the snow, because we just can't hardly get around, and you have to get around. A lot of times I have to get out the best I can over the snow. There's no one to move it and I can't move it. Five years ago I was in a car accident and it left me handicapped; I'm not able to work or do a lot of the things that's needed around."

But in Daniels Heights, "our snow just seems to be the last thing that they get to. Other senior citizens' places I've seen are cleaned off real soon, but they don't take care of our snow as well as they do the other senior citizens' places."

"I've saw out in the high-rise they're cleaning it off, when ours is just laying there. We should be first on the agenda, seeing that we are here where the machines and equipment are. Seems like when they drag out the machines to go to the high-rise, they would drag out ours as they go. But they seem to keep that clean and people from here go over there and do it. *So a lot of times I wonder why; is it because our council isn't active or what we could* do in the situation. Seems like our Model Neighborhood would get together here and get our council working and maybe we could get some of these things. But by ourselves we can't just one go in and ask for them; if we could go in a group, we would be heard more."

"A few of us have went out there but one can't do anything, just one person going and asking about our snow and things. We just can't work it by ourselves, just one or two go in and ask about it. It don't do us much good, because they don't seem to hear one or two grievances."

And Mrs. Pugh's solution to this official deafness is to organize the senior citizens. She explained her reasons:

"If we would organize and enough of us could get together, there are a lot of things here that is to be had if we would organize. Even the maintenance here; try to get it on our minds to organize, but if we never get together, we can't get it. We have to organize and stay together and go and ask for things in a group. We can't just sit here; if we sit here, we won't get anywhere. Because there is a lot of things that we could have. When we were having our meetings the office here would meet with us and ask us what we wanted. But if we never get together and have no meetings, well, they don't know what we want. And one coming in don't help."

Snow removal is certainly not the only problem senior citizens have. The children and teenagers in Daniels Heights are becoming a problem that someone is going to have to deal with. Large numbers of them are unsupervised and left to do as they please. And *some of the things they are doing are playing ball on the* yards of the senior citizens (and as Mrs. Pugh says, "regardless how you try, if you play in the yard, the grass won't grow good.") and vandalizing the laundromat to the point where the building has to be patrolled to make if safe for residents to enter.

Says Mrs. Pugh, "The mothers I know have tried hard, but you just have to continue reminding them. If we could have some cooperation and get our council working again, we would have more help."

In order to get the council going, said Mrs. Pugh, "I'll do everything I can," including campaign for the Model Cities Policy Board. "I'd like to get on the Board to afford any help that I could in getting better living conditions and maybe through that we could get our council started over again. We could also get a lot of things that are needed here in our neighborhood."

Northeast Saginaw should take pride in senior citizens such as Mrs. Pugh; faced with obstacles like her own poor health and the apathy of the project residents, she is still willing to give her best try on behalf of the Daniels Heights senior citizens.

MRS. PUGH says "I'm not satisfied!"

Girl Scout Cookie Time

TRAFFIC ENGINEER Continued From Model Cities Front Page

as assistant project engineer and project engineer for the Wayne County Road Commission from 1967-70 where his responsibilities included supervision of federal aid secondary road construction projects.

As assistant traffic engineer and federal projects engineer for the City of Saginaw, he has been responsible for all traffic studies conducted by the City and for the development and implementation of projects conducted under the Saginaw-Metropolitan Area -Wide Traffic Operations for Improved Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) and Federal Aid Urban System (FAUS) programs.

Mr. Blair and his wife Nancy and their two sons reside at 1900 Bro-Mor Street in Saginaw.

CORRECTION

Model Cities News on January 12 at Saginaw County Jail was the young people's choir from Williams Temple E. Remington & Owens.

People Talk

PEOPLE TALK - -

The charming Jiminez sisters, who live at 1615 Wadsworth St., both attend Arthur Eddy School and like it there just fine. They get along with all the other students and said there weren't any real problems at the school that they could see.

Loretta Maria Jiminez, age 13, enjoys swimming at school and also likes baseball. She reads the Valley Star and Model Cities News and especially likes the pictures. She did not make the same complaint most youngsters make, but said she managed to find plenty of things to do in Saginaw to keep busy.

Loretta's 12 year old sister whom she says is "the tomboy", is also a baseball fan and likes swimming and dancing as well. She said she felt Saginaw's biggest problem is the killing and stealing that is going on but she wasn't sure what could be done to stop it.

The girls, though they do not date officially yet, like to go to dances at the Civic and plan to go there for New Year's Eve.

PEOPLE TALK - -

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JOB DESCRIPTION
TITLE: Project Co-ordinator
STATUS: Full time until March 31, 1973. Continued employment contingent upon refunding of project.
SALARY: $10,068.00 Yearly.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1) Must have administrative ability and able to work with high school students.
2) Must be Model Cities resident.

TRAINING & EXPERIENCE:
1) Administrative experience or some college training.
2) Knowledge of school operation.

DUTIES: Will be responsible for co-ordinating student and adult ombudspeople activities including:
1) Community workshops.
2) Staff training.
3) Tutorial program for students.
4) Scheduling.
5) Complaint investigation.
6) Liason with school personnel.

CONTACT: Student Rights Center, 1407 Janes, phone 753-8641.

JOB DESCRIPTION
TITLE: 3 Adult Ombudspeople
STATUS: Full time until March 31, 1973. Continued employment contingent upon refunding of project.
SALARY: $120.00 per week.
QUALIFICATIONS:
1) Must be able to read and write.
2) Must be willing to undergo extensive legal and technical training.
3) Must be able to work with parents and school officials.
4) Must be able to communicate effectively with students of differing racial and ethnic backgrounds.
5) Clerical skills helpful but not essential.
6) Must be able to follow established program guidelines.
7) Must be Model Neighborhood residents.

DUTIES:
1) Act as student/parent advocates at school hearings.
2) Work with school officials in solving student problems.
3) Act as mediators in intra-school disputes.
4) Factual investigation of areas pertinent to center projects.
5) Work with staff Attorney in preparing for school hearings.
6) Liaison between the community and the Center.
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Mrs. Logan's Birthday Dinner

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOM

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On Wednesday evening, January 17, a birthday dinner was given by Mr. & Mrs. John Kemper, for Mrs. Kemper's mother, Mrs. Verda B. Logan, *in honor of her 88th birthday. The family celebration was held at the Kempers' lovely home at 1302 Carlisle.*

Following a beautiful buffet dinner, including the traditional birthday cake and ice cream, all the guests gathered in the living room for the opening of the many gifts brought by relatives and friends.

Mrs. Logan is the mother of seven children: two daughters, Mrs. Kemper and Mrs. Ruth Heard; and five sons, Howard, Robert, James, John and Don Shelby. Mrs. Logan also has seventeen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She is also a member of the Bethel AME Senior Citizens and of the Bethel AME Missionary Society.

(Mrs. Logan is shown with her children and her twin great-granddaughters, Cindy and Vicky Corley.)

Study Group Organizes Their Sub-Committee

The Citizens Group to study equal educational opportunities of the Saginaw Board of Education today announced an expansion of its advisory council to include five additional citizens and the structure of the sub-committee which will operate following tonight's meeting of the entire committee. Walter C. Averill, Jr., chairman of the committee announced that the new members of the advisory council were Mr. James Brown, business manager of the Saginaw News, Mrs. Bernice Barlow, president of the NAACP and a teacher, Mrs. Major Leckie, parent and active community citizen, Mr. Ellis Ivey, general manager, General Motors, Steering Gear Division, and Mr. Robert Uribe assistant director of the First Ward Community Center. They will join the other members of the advisory council, Dr. John Goodsell, Mr. Henry Marsh, attorney and former mayor of the city, Mr. Burrows Morley, business man and Rev. John Iliff.

Mr. Averill also announced the structure of the four sub-committees which will explain all questions raised by the entire committee at its last meeting. They are:

1. The committee to examine "What is equal education opportunity?" This committee will be chaired by Mr. Morley, assisted by Mr. Brown.

2. A committee to examine "On what basis should the citizens committee work toward integration?" To be chaired by Rev. Iliff, assisted by Mrs. Leckie.

3. A committee to examine how the schools can best mirror the intent of the committee on this matter - chaired by Dr. Goodsell, assisted by Mrs. Barlow.

4. A committee to examine "What are citizens constitutional responsibilities to be chaired by Mr. Marsh, assisted by Mr. Ivey.

Mr. Uribe was named as an assistant to Mr. Averill in the general expansion of the committee, and a committee on rules comprised of attorneys Bruce Mellinger and John Picard was also named.

At tonight's meeting the entire membership of the committee will be given the opportunity to serve on one of the sub-committees. The sub-committees will then initiate study of their topics.

Mr. Averill noted that all committees will have access to school records and be provided with funds to permit them to study what has been successful in other communities as the committees work toward their goal of quality education and integration in the Saginaw metropolitan area. Students from the various school districts in the metropolitan area will be added to the adult membership of the committee as they set about their efforts.

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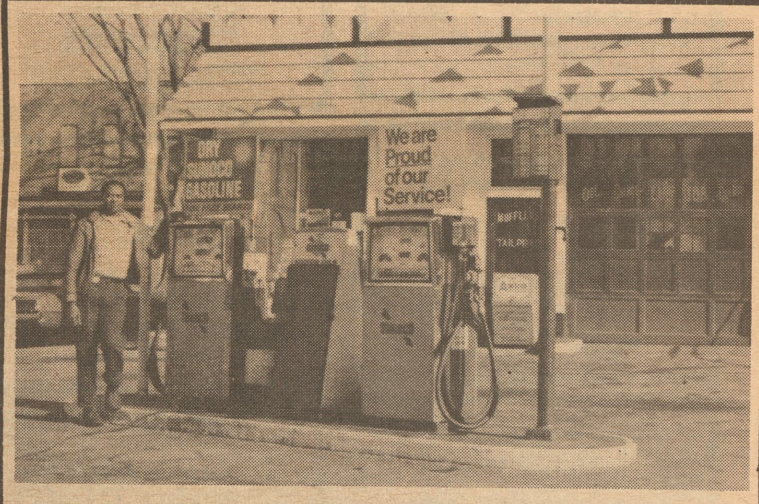

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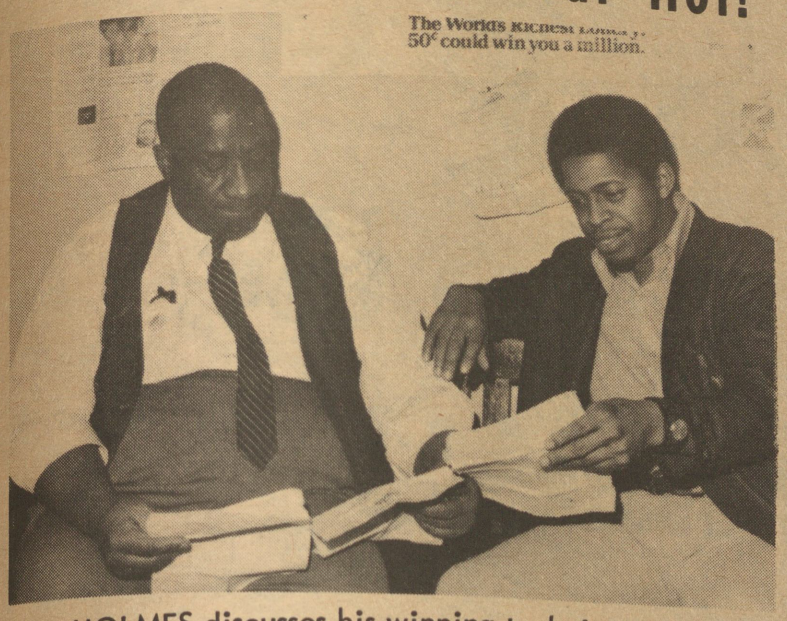
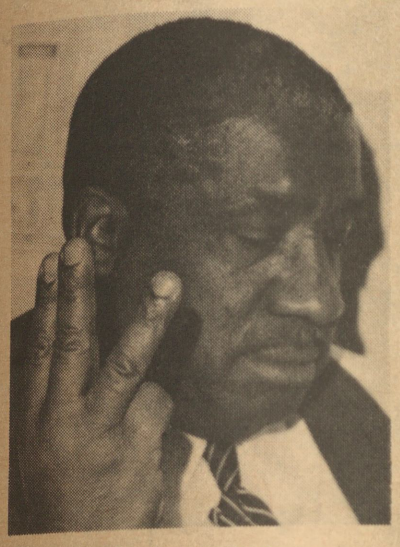


MR. HOLMES discusses his winning techniques with his fellow barber



THREE IN A ROW for Mr. Holmes

Mr. Kenneth Holmes, Barber Real Estate Booker, has won three winning lottery tickets in one drawing. He is the first black licensed to sell lottery tickets, "Lots of people don't have faith and confidence in the lottery. That's why they don't win," he says. Since then Mr. Holmes has chalked up another winning ticket and is headed for the millionaire drawing.

Joyce's Place A Portrait

Mrs. Joyce Williams

As I sat in Bethel A.M.E. Church at a appreciation program for a much admired woman, I began to think of the theme for this occasion which was "Give me my flowers while I still live". It brought to my mind the many times I have witness the nice words spoken and looked at the many flowers sent to someone's funeral. For that person, they could not see the beautiful flowers or enjoy the nice things being said about them because they were dead but at peace. Give me my flowers while I still live. This was the theme for the Appreciation Program Honoring Mrs. Rosie Lee McGill, Sunday January 14, 1973, at Bethel A.M.E. Church where Mrs. McGill is an active member. The program, a musical presentation, was put on by the Saginaw Community and was organized by Mrs. Lou-bertha Little who also served as the Mistress of Ceremony. Before the program began, Mrs. McGill stood out in the vestibule and greeted many of her friends who came out to wish her well and show their continuing appreciation. Accompanying Mrs. McGill through her processional down the aisle was Mrs. Little. Mrs. Della Dukes accompanied Mrs. McGill to her honor seat where she was pinned with a corsage of red roses by Miss Debra Morris.

Appearing on the program were many of Mrs. McGill's friends, past and present students which included Gail Little who read the Protrait of Mrs. McGill, Mrs. Ernestine Clark and Mrs. Cora Kirksey who both sang favorite songs of Mrs. McGill's, Mrs. Cecil Doster who gave greetings and read a lovely poem which ds

described the honored Mrs. McGill. There also was a quartet of young people that included pianist Johnney Nelson, singers JoAnn Brunner, Carl Mosley, Grace Brown and Craig Mathews, who sang two very touching songs and there was a song sang by Tracy Surles, accompanied by her sister Stephanie. The Protrait of Mrs. McGill read as follows:

Mrs. Rosie Lee McGill hails from Jackson, Tennesee. She graduated from the public schools there and specialized in music at Lane College. She also a

She also studied at Dr. Link's University in Memphis, Ten. For some years she taught paino at the L. Bruce High School. Later she moved to Chicago, Illinois and studied at the Chicago Musical College under a German professor, Mr. Otto Wolfe. She set up a musical studio and taught there until 1958 when she exchanged marriage vows with Mr. Jessie McGill and moved to Saginaw, Michigan to become a housewife. But being in love with humanity and possessed with an inward compulsion "to serve", she immediately began to make contacts in the best way she knew how; "helping to train the mind through music". She has touched the heart of many and we who know her, have grown to love her and to appreciate her for her patience as a piano teacher, an excellent counselor, to many a second mother and an ardent friend.

As I read and listened to the short but inspiring protrait that told of Mrs. McGill, I thought about what she has been and still is, to me. She was my first piano teacher and during my piano lessons, she told me of many things about life itself. I have on occasion visited with Mrs. McGill or accompanied her to programs on which one of her students were appearing. It was during these times together that I learned a great deal about the way she felt about her children, helping others and music.

Throughout the entire program, you could hear Mrs. McGill commenting, "Amen" and "Yes Lord" as she was honored with the different songs and readings. Being very touched by all that was being said and done about her and her life, Mrs. McGill was not lost for words. She was called upon to receive an appreciation Trophy which was presented by Mrs. Little from the Saginaw Community. She began her many words of thanks to one and all, especially Mrs. Little who said the idea to honor Mrs. McGill was originated some time ago but decided to wait. Over the last few weeks she decided to put her idea to work and work it did fore as she contacted different people and asked them to assist her in the preparation for this event, the word spread that Mrs. McGill would be honored and many people got in touch with Mrs. Little and offered their help. Everyone that was contacted or that called to offer their help were willing to contribute anything they possible could. To me this was simply beautiful; to show appreciation to someone for work well done, giving her flowers while she still lived.

Mrs. McGill talked about "A charge to keep I have" which is one of her favorite hyms, saying that her charge is to teach and bring people, young and old to God. All of her talk was about the works and ways of God, her personal Savior, who can and will do for you what He's already done for her. She said He may not come right when you call Him but He's always on time. Whenever speaking of the church, she describes what she thinks about it by using her Church Motto, "Bethel on the Move." Ending her thank you and climaxing the program, she asked some children to come to the front of the audience so they could see her children of tommorrow. *These young children are the future leaders of tommorrow said Mrs. McGill and they should be taught now and lead the right way.*

Having celebrated a birthday a few days before the program, Mrs. McGill told the audience she has just turned 78 years old and she felt just fine. She kiddingly said that she wasn't dead yet and there still might be some good she could do to help others - God knows she always ready and willing. Mrs. McGill looks remarkably well for her 78 years, so I say she must have living a good life.

After closing remarks by Rev. Huggins, Pastor of Bethel, refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall. Entering the Fellowing Hall, I tering the Fellowship Hall, I noticed many faces that were not in the audience at the program. Many of these people came in bearing gifts for the honored Mrs. McGill. A few minutes later, in came Mrs. Rosie Lee McGill, just beaming with joy and happiness. She was given her flowers while she still lived.

Mrs. McGill, the Valley Star along with Joyce's Place wishes you the very best in the coming years and may you continue to serve mankind through teaching and being a friend.

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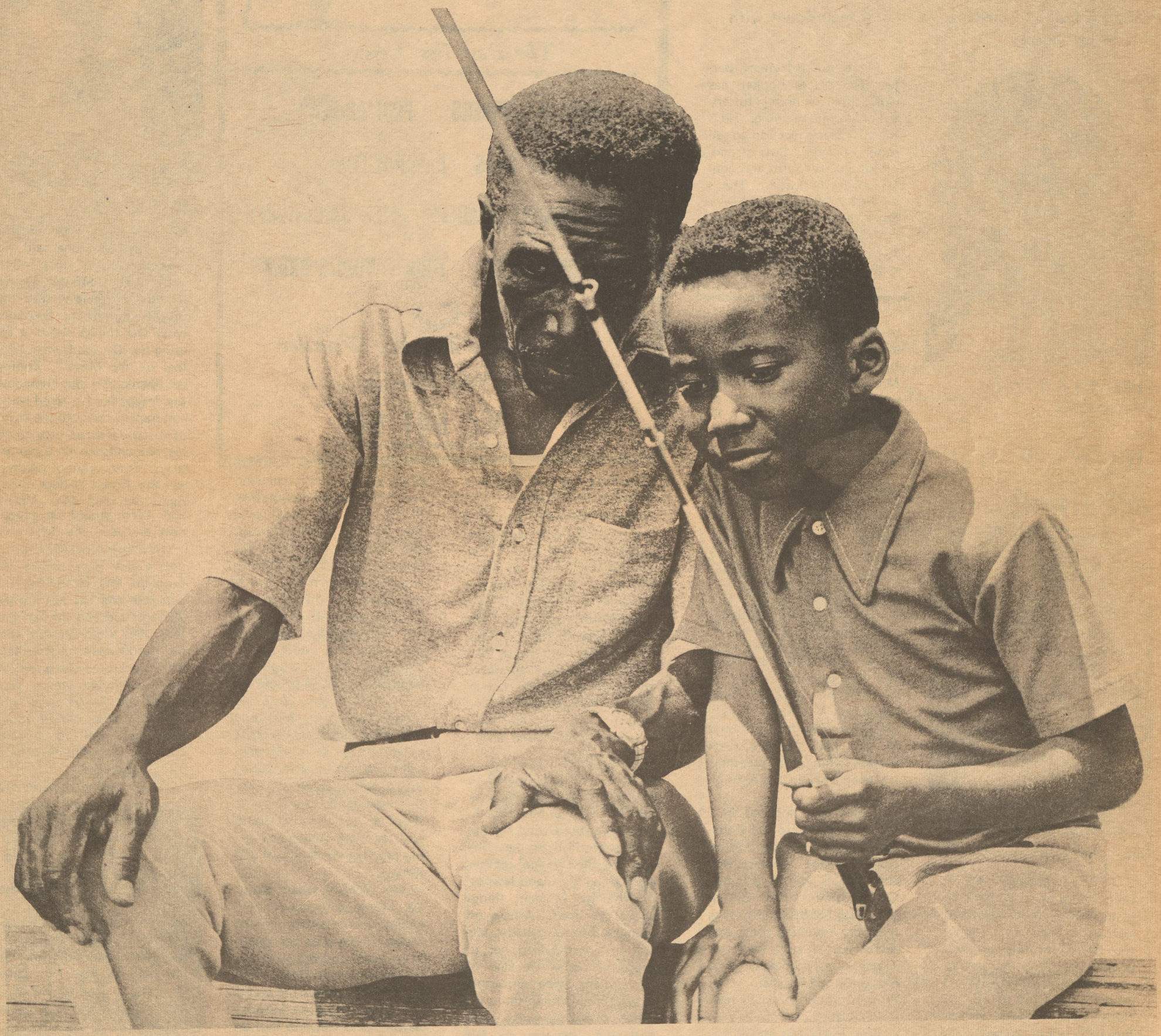

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